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Quality decidedly fine. Also Grapes from the Highland Vineyard.

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White wine and Cider Vinegar of the finest quality.

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A Midsummer Clearing Sale

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Shirt Waists

500 shirt waists, the choicest of this summer's styles, to be closed out at an immense reduction to dispose of the balance of our stock. Note the cut in prices we have made to reduce the stock quickly.

50 and 75c waists at 50c.

\$1.39, 1.25 and 1.00 shirt waists at 75c.

\$1.75, 1.69, 1.50 shirt waists at \$1.00.

\$2.75, 2.50, 2.25 and 2.00 shirt waists at \$1.25.



These waists must be sold during August; you will save money if you buy at our shirt waist counter.

SAMUEL GULLY & CO.

NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE

Local News!

FATHER MATHEW FAIR

A Very Successful and Entertaining Opening Night.

THE BOOTHS AND THEIR KEEPERS

Clapp's Band furnished the Opening Entertainment. Decorations Very Attractive. The Committee of Arrangements and Its Work. The Contests.

The Father Mathew fair opened Saturday night in Columbia opera house and was well patronized for an opening night. The booths were kept busy most all the time, and the receipts were unusually large for a first-night returns. The fair seems to be the only one in recent fair history that has been favored with a money attendance on the opening night. As one of the committee said Saturday night the people turned out in numbers and spent their money when they were out. The fair starts off with good promises, and will undoubtedly net large returns for the society. The committee of arrangements has spared no pains to make the fair a success. They are under heavy obligations to the merchants for their generous donations without which the success of the event would have been much in doubt.

The booths are not numerous, but make up in quality for what they lack in quantity. They are handsomely decorated, which shows the taste of the committee on decorations. The first booth on the right on entering the hall is the married women's booth. Its colors are orange and white, tastily arranged. It is in charge of Mrs. Edward McSheen and Mrs. P. H. Gunning, who are very attentive to the wants of those who care for any of its contents.

The unmarried women's booth is on the other side of the hall, directly opposite its friendly rival. The colors of its decorations are green and white. Their arrangement show good taste also. This booth is in charge of Miss Sarah Quinn and Miss Annie Cassidy, very attentive young women. The booth has the distinction of having the flag that was won by the old famous cadets at Worcester several years ago. It was the first prize won by the cadets and is highly valued by the society. It lends distinction to this booth, and is admired by all who visit the unmarried women, and that is a good number.

The fancy table is in charge of Miss Hannah Morris and Miss Margaret Moade. Its colors are lavender and green, showy colors. The decoration of this booth is in good keeping with the decoration of the others and is equally tasty. The table has a fine assortment of fancy things, which are temptingly offered for sale.

There is another table, the lemonade table, under the direction of Miss Lizzy Skelly and Miss Jeanie Matthews. That table was well patronized Saturday night, and bids fair to be a source of large income to the management. The refreshment table under the care of Mrs. John Larkin is another object of entertainment and profit. This booth like all the others is very prettily decorated, but the lemonade booth seems to have the most adornment. Its canopy is very attractive and has been decorated with considerable care.

The fair opened with a concert by Clapp's band. The band paraded the streets, attracted a large number to the hall. The program inside was all contributed by the band and was very entertaining. A complete change of program will be made nightly, and the out-of-town societies will contribute. The principal contest at the fair is a contest for a course at Blue Business college. It is between John Mullen and Frank Connors who enter the contest with a large amount of enthusiasm. They have many friends and the rivalry will be quite warm before the fair closes.

The committee of arrangements consists of John Larkin, James McSheen, Charles F. Barden, Edward McSheen, C. F. McCarthy, C. F. Donovan, John F. Barrington, P. H. McMahon, Patrick Driscoll, James Buckley, Louis Noel, Owen Callaghan, William Griffin and P. H. Doherty. Messrs. McSheen, Donovan and McMahon are the entertainment committee, John F. Barrington and P. H. Doherty were the committee on decorations.

The committee of arrangements has decided to add several attractions to the fair, among them being a fish pond and phonograph. A doll contest will be entered into by the Misses Corrigan, Lucy and McCarthy.

The fair's management is very grateful to Division 4, A. O. U. M., for the elegant couch presented by the division. The division will attend the fair in a body Thursday evening.

Coming Poultry Show.

The coming exhibit of the Hoosac Valley poultry, pigeon and pet stock association, to be held in Odd Fellows' hall December 1, 2, 3 and 4, promises to be the largest of its kind outside of Boston. An entry for the exhibit has been received from Camden, Arkansas. The management are meeting with the best of success in their preparation.

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Local News!

FOR LIBERTY AND LOVE.

The Great Military Play Presented by Miss Lillian Lewis.

On Tuesday, September 7, the famous actress Miss Lillian Lewis, will be seen in a big production of "For Liberty and Love" at the Columbia opera house. There is probably more interest attached to the presentation here of this play—and the appearance of this actress—than in any attraction seen in a long time. As a matter of course everybody has heard of Lillian Lewis, and naturally everybody is anxious to see her.

"For Liberty and Love" is a most pronounced success, in fact an immense sensation, and of direct concern and personal interest to every American. It is a military play. The action takes place on Wednesday, December 9, 1896—The date of Macao's assination. The last act shows Cuba on the day of the proclamation of her independence. Grand scenery is in this production. A superb cast including W. A. Whitecar and Nestor Lennon supports Miss Lewis.

By special arrangement the prices here will not be advanced but will remain on the 50c to \$1 scale. The gowns worn by Miss Lewis are wonderfully beautiful and all in all this production of "For Liberty and Love" promises to be the big dramatic event of the season.

TRAP SHOOTING.

Local Men Enjoy the Sport at the Whipple Farm Saturday Afternoon.

A number of local riflemen went to the Whipple farm on South State street Saturday afternoon and practiced trap shooting at 10 yards. The scores made are as follows:

Gladings,	Shots	Birds
McHale,	31	14
McHale,	30	7
DeWolfe,	30	9
Hall,	30	5
Farren,	30	1
Armstrong,	30	5
Udell,	30	2
Hill,	30	2
Dr. Curran,	30	0
Clements,	10	3

Engravers' Clam Bake.

About 30 of the Arnold Print works engravers went to the coal kilns Saturday afternoon in two of Ford & Arnold's four-horse teams and had their annual clam bake which was served by S. Hindley in the regular Rhode Island style. The chowder and lobster were relished immensely, and that "Senator" of Mr. Jerden's, put the engravers in the best of humor. Messrs. Haddow and Lynn sang two of their favorite songs. A ball game had been arranged between the south and north sides of the engraving room, the south side won easily, score 4 to 3. D. Whiteley captained the south and D. Dick the north side. D. Whiteley and Alexander Smith ran a 100-yard dash. Smith had 5 yards the start, but Whiteley won in a canter. Messrs. Arnold, Brower and Carroll were committee of arrangements. "Congratulate the Committee!"

BLACKINTON.

Arthur N. Smith spent Sunday with his family in Savoy.

Miss Maggie McCarthy returned home to Seymour, Conn., this morning, after spending two weeks with friends in town. The "Barb Wire Glee club" will accompany the Father Mathew society to North Adams Tuesday evening and furnish an entertainment at the Father Mathew bazaar in Columbia opera house.

Miss Minnie Conway of Troy, N. Y., is the guest of the Galvin family for a few weeks.

Miss Cotherin of Detroit, Mich., who has been the guest of O. A. Archer and family, returned home this morning.

Prof. Michael V. Mead of North Adams will open a dancing class in Temperance hall on September 23. Mr. Mead is now in New York taking lessons in the very latest dances.

A. E. Hopkins is confined to his home with a very severe attack of indigestion. He is under the care of Dr. Galvin.

Fred G. Thomas was injured Saturday afternoon. While sliding into third base he received a cut in the head an inch long that required the services of Dr. Galvin.

Rev. G. W. Brown occupied the pulpit at Blackinton church Sunday and preached a very fine sermon.

The sermon by Rev. Father Sherry at the Catholic services Sunday morning was the best heard here since the days of Rev. Charles Lynch. It was scholarly, instructive, and beautifully delivered.

The field day and picnic of the Alfredian society held at Riverside park Saturday afternoon was very largely attended and greatly enjoyed by many from out of town. The sports began at 1.30 with a ball game between the F. M. T. A. and Y. M. M. I. societies, it was won by the former society by a score of 12 to 7. The features of the game was the batting of the Temperance team and the fielding of Tommy Thomas for the Young Men. The races began with the 100 yards handicap which was won by George W. Ashton, who also won the 300 yards and one-half mile races. The football tournament between teams from Blackinton, Braytonville, and Renfrew, was won by the Druids of Blackinton, the Gentlemen team of Blackinton second. It was late when the sports ended and a large crowd was on the ground to the finish. The society will net a handsome sum from the day.

Local News!

A BURGLAR SCARE

Daring Attempt to Break Into a Bracewell Avenue Residence.

THAT BAG MARKED "\$500"

Eggs Mistaken for Dollars by a Door-step Loiterer. The Burglar Cut the Window Screen and Was Frightened Away by Mr. Taylor.

Quite an unusual occurrence in the line of scare burglaries happened Sunday morning about 11 o'clock at 4 Bracewell avenue, at the home of Fred Taylor. Mrs. Taylor had been soothing her baby, when she heard a noise at the parlor window. Often the cat scratches at the screen on that window and some one has to get up and let her in. The noise Mrs. Taylor heard was not just like the noise the cat used to make, and Mrs. Taylor thought it best to ask her husband to investigate. Mr. Taylor went down stairs and saw that a man was working at the window screen. Had Mr. Taylor had some weapon then the man would probably have dropped in his tracks. All Mr. Taylor could do was to frighten the burglar. He moved up almost to the window and shouted and the man departed with wondrous rapidity.

An examination of the window screen showed that the setting had been cut from the frame on one side and was partly cut away on another. It is the belief the man wanted to remove the netting and gain entrance.

A peculiar theory is entertained about the man's presence at the house in his burglarious capacity. Saturday Mrs. Taylor was given some eggs in a coin bag by Warren Potter from the North Adams Savings bank. The bag was one of those used in banks and was marked "\$500." Mrs. Taylor put the "\$500" bag into her baby carriage and moved away. When she was reversing the bag and eggs there was a number of persons sitting on the bank steps and Mrs. Taylor believes the man described by Mr. Taylor as the fellow who was at the window is one of the gang that was on the steps.

A FAMILY REUNION.

The Decendants and Connections of the Blackintons Meet Again.

The annual reunion of the Blackinton family held at the home of O. A. Archer Saturday at Blackinton was a very pleasant event. This reunion is generally held on the birthday of O. A. Archer, September 3, but for certain reasons it was held a little earlier this year. The program was simple. It consisted of a fine dinner on Mr. Archer's attractive lawn and general conversation afterwards, some going to the Alfredian sports.

Among those present were the families of John R. Blackinton, E. W. Blackinton, John P. Blackinton, O. A. Archer, E. H. Arnold, Dr. H. J. Millard, S. W. Brayton, Joseph P. Reed, J. F. Wells of Williams-town, E. N. Smith and R. E. Schouler. There was present a great grandson of Otis Blackinton, Fred L. Blackinton, from Chicago. The Misses Hattie and Angie Blackinton were present. One of the guests was Miss Kate Cotherin of Detroit, who left today for Boston.

R. E. Schouler made some excellent photographs of the group.

FOR A FIELD DAY.

Probable Match Between Jack Doyle and Thomas Conneff at 500 Yards.

It is very probable that a field day of all kinds of athletic sports will be held at the North Adams fair grounds within a few weeks. The principal feature will be a 500 yard race between Jack Doyle of Adams and Thomas Conneff, the champion. If the race is made and it is quite likely it will be, numerous other sports will be had. It is proposed that a ball game also be played between the Renfrew and North Adams teams with John L. Sullivan umpire.

District Court.

The following cases were in court this morning:

Michael Laughlin, John B. Hogan, Peter Clark, John Harrington and James Gilrain, drunkenness, fined \$5 each.

Albert Brown and Arvin C. Bemis for disturbance of peace, placed on three months' probation.

Henry L. Swift and Edward Edgar for disturbing the peace had their cases continued until Tuesday morning.

James Gilrain, for assaulting an officer, was fined \$5, and appealed.

Had Better Be Careful.

A number of boys have of late been destroying property at the fair grounds. They are accustomed to break into the horse stalls and leave the doors open, to tear off the clapboards and otherwise do damage. A warrant has been sworn out for several boys arrests and others had better be careful.

Picnic at Kemp's Park.

The Baptist church and Sunday school are enjoying their annual picnic at Kemp's park this afternoon. A list of sports will be carried out and basket lunch will be served.

BY TELEGRAPH.

ADVENTURERS FOR CUBA

The Soledad Will Carry Two Hundred Americans and Loads of Amunition Next Saturday.

Chicago, August 30.—The Times-Herald says: "Two hundred Americans and three car loads of ammunition are supposed to leave Chicago tomorrow night for Jacksonville, Fla., there to board the steamer Soledad for some point in Cuba. The date of the Soledad's sail, is according to Spanish reports, fixed for Saturday.

The Americans composing the Chicago-Cuban contingent are made up mostly of the unemployed. They have enlisted for 12 months and are to receive a salary of \$20 a month. In the event of Cuba's receiving her freedom from Spain, each soldier is promised a large tract of land and a sum of money.

Lieut.-Col. Domines of the New York Junta is now in Chicago. He comes as the agent of President Cisneros and Treasurer Benjamin Guerra. He brought several thousand dollars with him, and he has been using it among those who were found willing to join insurgents. Unless the Spanish consul, Fernando Stand Y. Gionier, who will ask federal court for an injunction prohibiting the moving of these men and ammunition here, the men will meet today with knapsacks and rifles ready to join the forces of Gomez in the Pinar Del Rio district.

LUETGERT'S TRIAL.

The Defense Claims the Vat Story is Something Impossible.

Chicago, Aug. 30.—The trial of Adolph T. Luetgert for the murder of his wife began in earnest today, the preliminary work of securing a jury having been completed.

Five minutes after the doors were opened the room was packed to suffocation. Contrary to the expectation of the state, the jury will be asked by the defense to witness an experiment in the basement of the sausage factory.

This is the result of an experiment conducted by Luetgert's attorneys Saturday and yesterday by which they claim to have proven the prosecution's theory of disintegration of the body of the victim impossible.

ERASTUS CORNING.

A Prominent and Philanthropic Citizen of Albany Died Today.

Albany, N. Y., Aug. 30.—Erastus Corning, a well known citizen of this state, died at 2 o'clock this morning. He was a descendant from Samuel or "Ensign" Corning of Beverly, Mass., and he was one of the most wealthy men in the state. His charities were numerous.

Upon the death of Mr. Corning's father he succeeded him in the presidency of the Albany City National bank, and continued in this position up to the time of his death. In 1855 Mr. Corning was chosen a

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LOCAL MAN'S FORTUNE.

Was Awarded an Original Pension at Washington Today.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—William E. Conrad, North Adams, was awarded an original pension. Mr. Conrad is an operative at H. Torrey Cady's factory.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

—It is B. Church expects to leave this city Wednesday or Thursday.

—Mary Kirby, formerly pastry cook at the Wilson, has taken a position in Hord & Co.'s restaurant.

—A meeting of the Camera club will be held at the Y. M. C. A. Tuesday evening. The board of directors will meet this evening.

—About 50 young people from this city will attend a dance to be given by the Monday Evening club at Forest park pavilion in Adams this evening.

—Following are the dates for football games to be played on Weston field at Williamstown: September 25, Williams vs. Laureate Club; October 23, Williams vs. Wesleyan university; October 30, Williams vs. Colgate university; November 2, Williams vs. Dartmouth.

NEARLY LOST \$10,000.

Sensational Attempt to Bunco an Amesbury Farmer.

BANK REFUSED TO GIVE MONEY.

Joseph W. Mason Played Cards With Strangers.

Amesbury, Mass., Aug. 30.—The details of a most sensational case of bunco were made public yesterday in which one of the principal actors is Joseph W. Mason, a wealthy farmer, living on the Whitehall road. A few days ago Mr. Mason called at the local bank and requested securities to the amount of \$10,000 and asked that he be paid the cash for them.

The bank officials were suspicious and refused the money. It is now learned that had Mr. Mason succeeded in getting the cash he would probably find himself just \$10,000 out at the present time, as the result of one of the boldest confidence games ever heard of in New England. On the day in question he was called upon by a thinly dressed man, who, he said, wanted to buy a farm. He had already looked at several farms, but this particular one suited him best, and an offer was made to purchase it. During their conversation the two men wandered back into the field, where a third man was met. After a brief talk one of the strangers showed a large roll of bills and suggested a game of cards. Mr. Mason, dwelling on the ground that he did not know how to play cards. Then one of the strangers offered to play for Mr. Mason, and after a few games Mr. Mason was nominally the winner of \$10,000, but in a short time he had lost the \$10,000 and several thousand more. The stranger's demanded the money they had won, but Mr. Mason asserted he had no money with him, and emptied his pockets to prove his assertion. Foiled at this point they demanded his notes, and seeing that he was far from his house and in the company of desperate men he told them to go to the house with him and he would straighten matters out.

Arriving at the house he gathered up his securities and came to this city for the purpose of getting them converted into cash, but in this he was unsuccessful. Meantime the two strangers became suspicious and made themselves scarce. No good description of them can be obtained, and although the police are in possession of the facts the matter has been kept very quiet.

Boys' Waists

When bought at Cutting Corner fit and wear to suit the mamas. Just now it's the indestructible underwaists. The famous H. & W. heavy corset jean waists made high in the neck or skeleton style with or without suspenders and stocking supporters.

E. Z. Underwaists

are a new creation, and fill a long felt want for an indestructible underwaist at 25c. It is made of heavy jersey knit stock with triple plated flexible bands and stays, will not tear off buttons or wear out. Call for the E. Z. waists, Boys' department, second floor, front.

Cutting & Co.

Wholesale Retailers.

Boston Store.

W. J. TAYLOR.

New Fall Goods at Popular Prices

50 pcs New Dress Fabrics—just the thing for school, ladies' skirts, suits, etc., at 25c yd.

Scotch Plaids—an elegant line at 25c yd.

25 pcs New Dress Goods—popular colorings, and the very latest designs at 49c yd.

The above lots are without doubt the greatest bargains we have ever offered in Dress Goods. We would advise an early call to get the best selection.

Agents BUTTERICK'S PATTERNS.....

BOSTON STORE.

We Have Received

A complete line of SAMPLES FOR SUITING AND TROUSERINGS for the Fall of 1897. Our line embraces everything in the market, both in Fine Foreign and Domestic textures. The Patterns are all new and absolutely the latest made. Those contemplating a new Fall Suit or Overcoat are cordially invited to inspect these samples before purchasing. An early selection before the complete line is broken will warrant securing exactly the pattern chosen.

Our SUITS and OVERCOATS made in the best style, handsomest trimmings—and made to fit. Perfect fits are guaranteed.

J. O'BRIEN & CO. MERCHANT TAILOR

55 Eagle Street.

Before... Purchasing

Examine my line for the fall trade. Keep your eyes on my show windows. Goods and prices speak for themselves. Refrigerators, Oil stoves, and Baby Carriages going at cost.

J. H. Cody's,

House Furnisher and Undertaker.

22 to 30 Eagle Street.

Agent for Acorn Stoves and Ranges.

Another Clue Found

Important Evidence

Concealed In a Ton of Coal

WE CLAIM THE REWARD

Particulars Furnished. Call at 49 Holden St.

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Goods in China, Glass, Novelty

lines, Tableware, etc.

C. H. Mather.

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THE PEOPLE'S STORE.
CHRISTIE & CO.
4 MARTIN'S BLOCK, NORTH ADAMS, MASS.
Continuation of Last Week's Specials with a Lot of Extra Specials Added

Dress Goods Specials.
As a special inducement to ladies we have made deep cut in prices on all dress goods.
The low prices and quality of goods will however speak for themselves.
Mohair novelty—Navy or black—30 inches wide, formerly sold for \$1.25 a yard—now 75c a yard.
Mohair novelty—Black—38 inches wide, formerly sold at a yard—now 35c a yard.
Mohair novelty—Black—38 inches wide, formerly sold at 25c a yard—now 19c a yard.
Diagonal cutting—Navy or black—50 inches wide, formerly sold at 75c a yard—now 50c a yard.
Diagonal cutting—Navy—38 inches wide, formerly sold at 60c a yard—now 50c a yard.
Canvas cloth—Black—48 inches wide, formerly sold at 75c a yard—now 50c a yard.
Silk and wool novelty—dress lengths—formerly sold at \$2 a yard—now \$1.25 a yard.
Silk and wool novelty—dress lengths—formerly sold at \$2 a yard—now \$1.50 a yard.
Silk and wool novelty—dress lengths—formerly sold at \$1 a yard—now 65c a yard.

Coats and Capes Specials.
Summer coats—odd lot—choice 90c.
Summer coats—odd lot—choice \$1.
Summer capes—half price—or in other words capes ranging in price from \$2 to \$7.50 now range in prices from \$1 to \$3.50 each.

Shirt Waists Specials.
Chambray waists—former price 75c each—now 25c each.
Lapport mull waists—slightly soiled—were \$1.25 each—now 80c each.
Lapport mull waists—white collars—were \$1.25 each—now 65c each.
Silk waists—black—\$2.25 special.
Silk waists—colored—special at \$3 and \$3.50 each.

Linen Specials.
Napkins—specials at 50c, 60c and \$1 a dozen.
Table linens—white—specials at 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 45c and 50c a yard.

Extra Specials in Umbrellas.
100 ladies' umbrellas—silk gloria—26 inch, \$1 each.
100 ladies' umbrellas—silk gloria, steel rods, 26 inch, \$1.25 each.
100 ladies' umbrellas—taffeta silk—steel rods, 26 inch, \$1.75 each.
100 gents' umbrellas—gloria twill—steel rods, 26 inch, \$1 each.
100 gents' umbrellas—gloria twill—steel rods, 26 inch, \$1.10 each.
100 children's school umbrellas—26 inch—50c each.
Remainder of ladies' parasols—to close at half price.

TERMS STRICTLY CASH. ONE PRICE.
CHRISTIE & COMPANY.
BRANCH STORE GALE'S BLOCK, WILLIAMSTOWN.

Woman's Corner Word Contest

Three Rich Prizes

The recent contest, for the Souvenir Spoon, was of such spirited character, that the WOMAN'S CORNER of the TRANSCRIPT has determined to give a prize of

- First Prize \$20 in Gold** to the person making out the largest list of words from the letters in the two words "The Transcript."
- Second Prize—Handsome 3-Piece Silver Tea Service,** furnished by L. M. Barnes, the Wilson House Block Jeweler, and to be seen in his window.
- Third Prize—Eastman's Finest Kodak, Bull's Eye No. 2, Price \$8,** furnished by F. G. Fountain, headquarters for Cameras, Bank Street, and to be seen in his window.

The only condition required, to become eligible, is that each person entering this contest must be a new subscriber either to the Daily TRANSCRIPT, for one month, or the Weekly TRANSCRIPT for six months, or (if you are now a subscriber yourself) send in such new subscription for some one else not now a subscriber. The price of such subscription is only 50 cents. Get a new subscriber at the regular price and you are eligible to the contest.

A competitor's certificate, with full directions for making out the list of words will be sent to each person who complies with the above conditions. The rules are so simple that a ten-year-old boy or girl with pluck and perseverance can win the prize, but along with others we trust that all the ladies who have been interested in the Woman's Corner will try for it. Start immediately and take plenty of time. The contest will be closed and the gold awarded on October 1.

It costs you nothing to compete. You simply take the Daily TRANSCRIPT one month, or the Weekly TRANSCRIPT six months, at regular rates, if you are not now a subscriber. If you are now a subscriber, you will secure a new subscriber, or send one of these papers for this short period to some one not now a subscriber.

Everybody compete. You may be the lucky one to get the

\$20 in Gold.

FAREWELL SERMON
Large Union Audience Listens to Rev. A. B. Church.
"EVIDENCE OF JESUS' REALITY"
Strong Discourse on a Fruitful Subject. "I Proclaim the Same Jesus." Excellent Memorial Program. Organist Hadfield Congratulated. Impressive Farewell.

Rev. A. B. Church preached his farewell sermon Sunday evening in the Congregational church, which was filled to the doors with members of the several churches to hear the popular clergyman say his farewell words. The event was as unusual as the reception tendered to Rev. Mr. Church Friday evening. It had the rare circumstances of a Universalist clergyman preaching his farewell sermon in a Congregational church to a union congregation. The congregation was composed of members of the Congregational, Methodist, Baptist and Universalist churches, all of whom have a strong regard for the departing pastor.

The Universalist choir had charge of the music. Organist Hadfield received congratulations at the close of the service for the excellent program he had prepared for the occasion. The choir sang a Te Deum in B minor by Buck and Mr. Archer sang "Before the Throne of Glory." The offertory duet sang by Miss Arnold and Mr. McIntyre was "As Pants the Heart," and was very finely rendered. A quartet, Misses Arnold and Reagan, Messrs. Archer and Marriott, sang "One Sweetly Solemn Thought." The scripture reading was by Rev. A. Perry of Hartford, Conn. Rev. Dr. George W. Brown was on the platform.

The text of Rev. Mr. Church's sermon was taken from St. John, 8 and 22, "I proceeded forth and came from God." Rev. Mr. Church said: "We have written many lives of Jesus and yet it is a theme on which many more can be written. We have already enough outward lives of Christ written. Lives that tell us about places, dates, occurrences, wanderings, locality, scenery, etc. But all these need a complement, an explanation. It might be called 'The Inner Life of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.' It would be after the manner of the gospel of St. John, not so much a life of circumstances as of thoughts, purposes, feelings, aspirations, desires, portraying the inward spiritual, metaphysical, eternal life of Christ. It can never be fully written, because no necessarily limited book can cover a limited subject.

"Only in the degree that we get into this inward life of Jesus will His outward life cease to be a plague to us. As it is, we are constantly coming upon things in His life that we cannot understand or explain and that often defy our intelligence, and these create doubt and indifference. But as we get into sympathy with the spirit of this inner life of Christ we begin to do as He did—see these outward things in their right relations, color and proportions. When we hear His words our minds expand, our hearts burn within us, and our souls leap with joy as did the travelers to Emmaus.

"In all human lives the inward explains the outward. Stop with the outward only and we get controversy, discrepancy, intellectual annoyance, moral surprises and often spiritual disappointment. But first thoroughly know a person's soul, get into sympathy with his purposes and motives and know the scope of his mental and moral nature, and we at once understand his words and deeds as never before. His life of mystery and character of disappointment and controversy becomes a simple life of understanding and a character of satisfaction and mutual agreement. This is as true with the inner spirit and life of Christ.

"With reference to His mystery, miracles, etc., let us apply this test of proving the Christ from the most skillful conjurer. Take the miracle of raising the dead, make it realistic. The dead is here; mourners here, the Christ here. Presently the dead rises and walks. Trick or miracle; illusion or fact? I cannot determine with my own eyes, they have been so often deceived. I saw many seemingly positive facts, yet when explained, have been obliged to confess myself deceived and be fooled by my own vision. Why not so in this case?

"I declare I saw a man dead and at Jesus' word or touch I saw him rise and walk. But the conjurer says come with me and I will show you something as wonderful and deceiving. I go and see his awfully trick. I am surprised and my whole understanding is baffled. And he says mine's a trick; it was just the same with what you thought to be the raising of the dead." And I am left by those outward acts in a state of mental perplexity and spiritual doubt and torment.

The deception of my vision and the consequent bewilderment of mind has weakened my faith and what I wanted to believe I can no longer believe.

"But what shall I do, stop with the outward and roam about in the darkness of black skepticism and doubt? No. Let me make another trial. I will watch and study the Christ of miracle and the conjurer of trick. I will talk with them, listen to them, and get to know as far as I can, their inner thoughts, motives, ambitions and abilities. If their thoughts are equally deep and pure, if their motives and longings are equally divine, and their mental triumphs are equal to their physical wonders, then I will equally admire and trust them. The conjurer on the stage seems a mighty man of miracle and benignant power. I cannot at all follow the skill of his hand or at all understand how he attains his results. But when he comes off the stage and I begin to talk with him on general subjects of human interest, I begin to feel my sense of equality rising and even towering over him. On the stage I could not touch him, in official capacity.

"I see Christ raising from the dead and opening the eyes of the blind and I say, 'yes,' we have seen such things attempted before with wonderful success. This man in this capacity seems hardly more graceful, skillful and efficient than the wizard. But then I get nearer to him. I hear him talk and I learn his motive and ambition, and I am at once held spellbound as by enchanting music. His word and wisdom equal his works. On whatever line I approach performance, and myself vastly inferior to him in every particular. I am forced to say: 'Not only have I never seen anything done after this fashion; but I have never heard it spoken after this fashion. I listen to his thoughts, I learn his purposes and desires, and I find him infinitely in his thinking and loving as he is in his working and acting. See him save the woman with 'but the hem of his garment faith.' I hear his beatitudes in life and on the cross and I can but lift my eyes and say: 'My Lord and my God.'

A CLEW IN CANADA
Chief Kendall Surprised by a Letter in Bad French.
OFFERED TO MAKE DISCLOSURE
The Chief Notified a Montreal Detective, a Personal Friend, Who Hunted the Clew Down. A Man Arrested and Released. Hailed From North Adams.

The Reed murder mystery, despite the stories of clews that are floating around, is as much enshrouded as ever. Chief Kendall and his men, who co-operate with City Solicitor Thayer and M. C. Couch are working uninterruptedly in the case. It has been said the officers are doing little to detect the criminal and that the murderer is in this city or at least not more than half a dozen miles away. Chief Kendall told a story Sunday that shows how the officers are compelled to operate over wide territory and have their labors come to naught.

Early last week Chief Kendall received a letter from the very distant point of Magog, a town about 90 miles from Montreal, Canada. It was written by one, M. Lepine, who is a saloon keeper of that place. Mr. Lepine informed Chief Kendall in bad French that a man had visited his saloon and had given some peculiar information. He had said, "There is a murder at North Adams and the murderer is like me and dresses like me. If you hear of them looking for the murderer here let me know and I'll skip." Mr. Lepine for a small recompense offered to give Chief Kendall the man's name and whereabouts.

The chief received the letter last Monday and immediately wrote to a detective in Montreal, who is his personal friend. The chief's letter left at 5 o'clock and the next day at noon he received a telegram from the detective stating he would leave immediately for Magog. The chief was very confident that the Magog saloon-keeper's story would yield results. In a day he was informed by the Montreal officer that the man was in custody, that he was from Adams and that he left Monday, August 3, two days after the crime was committed. The Montreal officer very carefully examined the man arrested and got a story substantially as follows:

The man in custody was 19 years old and from Adams, where he had worked in the Berkshire mills. He left his work August 2 and collected his pay, \$7.10 and then had the intention of going to Canada. He lived with his brother and sister and when he left wrote a note telling them of his going, but said nothing to them previously. The morning he left this city he went on the 7 o'clock train, the train that carried the bodies of the murdered people. He bought a paper on the train and read about the crime. He never bought a paper before. His ticket was bought for Chatham, where he visited friends, had breakfast at an aunt's and proceeded on his way buying a ticket for Ayer's Flats, Canada. He did not stop at Ayer's Flats, but slept until he reached Sherbrooke, 12 miles farther on. He arrived there at 12 o'clock at night and, instead of going to a hotel, wandered around until 5 o'clock in the morning. Then he took the train for Magog. He stopped off at Wells and bought a telescopic valve and arrived at Magog with \$1.05 in his possession.

The young man said he was never arrested before and he denied all knowledge of the crime. He said he first heard of it at a ball game Saturday afternoon. He admitted that he said to a party at Barnston that he had made a mistake in leaving North Adams as he did. After reading the newspaper in the train he was tempted to return to his home. The detective found that he had not asked for work at Magog, where there are extensive mills, but had gone into the country and hired himself to a farmer for \$5 a month and board until April next. A gold ring set with a ruby was found in his valise. It belongs to his sister-in-law of Adams.

When Chief Kendall got this information he began to investigate at Adams, the young man's home; he was met the very first thing with a letter from Sheriff Haskins of Charlemont to Chief Carran of the local police, asking for information about a young man of similar name and description. The letter said he was wanted at Charlemont for stealing \$35. The chief followed up the young man's connections, but could not see how he could have anything to do with the murder. He believes that the person wanted by Sheriff Haskins and the man arrested at Magog are the same person. He cannot account for the young man's suspicious actions otherwise than that he was afraid of being detected for some minor offense.

The chief telegraphed yesterday to the Montreal officer to liberate the man, The theory that it is alleged a man of his name and connections committed is not an extraditable offense. The police have run down many clews like this and are no nearer solving the mystery.

Lawrence's Fool Friends.
Judge Lawrence may well pray to be delivered from his friends. They are setting up the claim that the unexpended term "belongs" to Berkshire county. Years ago when Congressman George D. Robinson was elected governor of the commonwealth, the Republicans over the mountain claimed that they should be allowed to name the man to fill out the unexpired term because it "belonged" to them. But Berkshire said "no" and went down to the convention and nominated F. W. Beckwell of this city. Those who claim that Lawrence should be nominated because the unexpired term "belongs" to Berkshire, must think that they have short memories beyond the mountains. Then it is mighty poor politics for the Republican organs over here to keep stuffing it down the throats of the politicians the other end of the district that "we've got the votes and we shall nominate the candidate." That isn't calculated to secure harmony, to compose differences or to quiet the ambitions of the aspirants for congressional honors who live on the further side of the Hoosacs.—Pittsfield Journal.

MENU for Sunday
When you can get a Sunday dinner like the following for 35 cents, what's the use of going to the trouble or expense of getting up a dinner for yourself.
It is the menu for Hosford & Co's dinner for Sunday, August 29.

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A PITTSFIELD OPINION.
Lawrence for Congress and Whittlessey for the Senate.
The senatorial boom for ex-Representative William Tolman, started by a few friends, is not regarded as sizable by the politicians of Pittsfield. If Senator Lawrence decides to stand for congress, the chances are strong for Representative Whittlessey's promotion to the senate, and a place which the people will ask him to accept, the same as in the case of Judge Lawrence for the higher honor. It has been some years since Pittsfield has had the senatorship, and there is a tacit understanding that when Judge Lawrence lays down the honor, Pittsfield will have it without question, so far as the Republican nomination goes. Influential Republicans say that Mr. Whittlessey is the candidate of all the party, and his record last year in the house is a good one. The Pittsfield Democrats will probably not ask for a candidate for senator; one of the party well says that they have now no available timber for that or many other local offices, since Alderman Macfines declines to have his name used in connection with any political local office this year. Sentiment is growing toward ex-Congressman Rockwell as the Republican candidate for mayor of Pittsfield this fall. The Democrats may nominate C. W. Wright again.—Pittsfield Correspondence in Springfield Republican.

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